substantially harmed and wearer comfort is acceptable during a period of continuous contact with ocular tissue and ocular fluids, wherein said lens has an oxygen permeability of at least about 69 barrers and an ion permeability characterized either by an Ionoflux Ion Diffusion Coefficient of greater than about 6.4×10 -6 mm²/sec or an Ionoton Ion Permeability Coefficient of greater than about 0.4×10 -6 cm²/min,

wherein said modified surfaces are hydrophilically modified surfaces that are modified by a treatment process selected from the group consisting of coating processes, grafting processes, plasma treating processes, electrical charge treating processes and irradiation processes,

wherein said hydrogel contact lens is adapted for at least 24 hours of continuous wear on a human eye without substantial corneal swelling and without having substantial amounts of lipid adsorption.

273. (Twice Amended). An extended wear contact lens comprising a core polymeric material and upper and lower surfaces, said core polymeric material comprising a silicone copolymer which provides a high ion permeability and a high oxygen permeability; wherein said silicone copolymer comprises an oxyperm polymerizable material selected from the group consisting of siloxane-containing macromers, siloxane-containing monomers, fluorine-containing macromers, siloxane containing monomers and fluorine-containing monomers, and an ionoperm polymerizable material selected from the group consisting of acrylates, methacrylates, polyalkylene glycols and N-vinyl pyrrolidones, wherein said core polymeric material has at least one continuous pathway from said upper surface to said lower surface for oxygen transmission; wherein said surfaces are hydrophilically modified by a treatment process selected from the group consisting of coating processes, grafting processes, plasma treating processes, electrical charge treating processes and irradiation processes; and wherein said extended wear contact lens can be continuously worn for at least four days on a human eye without substantial corneal swelling.

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